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New U.S. Patent Application
Title: STAGE ASSEMBLY AND EXPOSURE APPARATUS
INCLUDING THE SAME
Inventor: Michael BINNARD

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 32 pages, including 6 independent claims and 28 claims total.
2. Drawings- 15 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-15).
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Nikon Corporation.
5. The filing fee is calculated as follows:



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Basic Application Filing Fee					\$710	\$ 710.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	28	-	20	8	x \$18	\$144.00
Independent Claims	6	-	3	3	x \$80	\$240.00
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TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE						\$ 1,094.00

6. A check for \$1,134.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

\$710.00 filing fee;
 \$384.00 additional claims fee; and
 \$40.00 Assignment recordation fee.

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Please accord this application an application number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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